

CLAIMS:

1. A method for operating a multi-device consumer electronics system, that is provided with a first device having a first user interface including a voice control facility fed by voice pickup means, and a second device functionally interconnected with said first device,

5 said method being characterized by the following steps:

- interconnecting said first and second devices through a user control level interconnection;
- loading speech recognition data relevant to a second user interface pertinent to said second device, from said second device into the voice control facility of said first device;
- 10 - recognizing by said voice control facility of one or more voice commands pertaining to said second user interface through using the above speech recognition data, and forwarding associated recognition information to said second device;
- operating said second device as governed by such associated recognition information.

15 2. A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said loading provides both user interface information and speech recognition information.

20 3. A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said loading is downloading effected in a HAVi context.

4. A multi-device consumer electronics system arranged for implementing a method as claimed in Claim 1 and comprising a first device having a first user interface including a voice control facility fed by voice pickup means, and a second device
25 functionally interconnected with said first device,

said system being characterized by comprising:

- interconnecting means for interconnecting said first and second devices through a user control level interconnection;

- loading means for loading speech recognition data relevant to a second user interface pertinent to said second device, from said second device into the voice control facility of said first device;
- recognizing means for recognizing by said voice control facility of one or more voice commands pertaining to said second user interface through using the above speech recognition data, and forwarding associated recognition information to said second device;
- and operating means for operating said second device as governed by such associated recognition information.

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5. A master device arranged for use as said first device in a system as claimed in Claim 4, and comprising a first user interface including a voice control facility fed by voice pickup means, interconnection means for interconnecting to a second device through a user control level interconnection, receive means for receiving speech recognition data relevant to a second user interface pertinent to the second device into its voice control facility, and recognizing means for recognizing by said voice control facility of one or more voice commands pertaining to said second user interface through using the above speech recognition data, and forwarding means for forwarding associated recognition information to said second device.

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6. A slave device arranged for use as said second device in a system as claimed in Claim 4, and comprising interconnection means for interconnecting to a first user device through a user control interconnection, load means for loading speech recognition data relevant to a second user interface pertinent to said second device, from said second device into the voice control facility of said first device, receiving means for receiving recognition information pertaining to said second user interface from from said voice control facility of the first device, and operating means for operating said second device as governed by such received recognition information.

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